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CHEATING THE ELECTRIC CHAIR IS A TOUGH TASK AS ANY KILLER WILL TELL YOU—RAY CARDELL, PARK AVENUE PLAYBOY, DIDN'T AROUSE UNDERWORLD SUSPICION WHEN HE IDENTIFIED A DEAD MAN WHOM HE HAD NEVER BEFORE SEEN, BECAUSE GANGDOM DIDN'T SUSPECT THAT RAY WAS REALLY THE MASTER KEY IN DISGUISE! BUT THE MASTER KEY'S LIFE HUNG BY A THREAD WHEN HE HEARD A COUGH FROM THE COFFIN OF A KILLER!



MASTER KEY



RAY CARDELL IS MAD-- DEFINITELY! GOING TO THE RESCUE OF J.B. KARLEY, A CHEAP, CROOKED POLITICIAN!

TAKE IT, EASY-- MARCIA! YOUR PLAYBOY FRIEND HASN'T BEEN IN THE HEADLINES FOR WEEKS. GIVE HIM A BREAK!



SPORTING OF YOU, MR. CARDELL. THANKS. HERNAN AND HERNAN ACCUSED ME OF HIRING JAKE THE ZIGSWORT TO KILL HIS PARTNER, ED VOGT. VOGT AND HERNAN WERE THE TOWN'S BIGGEST RACETRACK BOOKIES YOU TAKING OVER, J.B.?



ME-- A BOOKMAKER? LOOK, CARDELL, YOU KNOW MY RECORD'S CLEAN. AS ALDERMAN FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT, I'M A STAUNCH SUPPORTER OF LAW AND ORDER!



DON'T HORSE AROUND, BOSS. HERNAN'S SLUG CHIPPED YOUR COLLARBONE. YOU NEED A DOC!

OKAY, MACK, ER-- MR. CARDELL. THIS IS MACK RUANE, MY BODYGUARD.



BODYGUARD, HUH? I THINK J.B. EXPECTED TO FIND SPEED HERNAN HERE. YES! VERY CONVENIENT WAY TO GET RID OF HIM!



I-I TOLD YOU NOT TO KILL HIM, DARLING! IF THE COPS FIND JAKE IN THE MORGUE, WE'LL ALL GET THE CHAIR. I'M GONNA PAINT-- I CAN'T FACE--

PLEASE, SISTER! UH? OH! I SEE!!



IS THIS YOUR IDEA, OF FUN-- MR. CARDELL? WELL, I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOU!

BUT, MARCIA YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! THIS IS DOLORES DUGAN, J.B.'S PAPER DOLL. SHE'S OFF HER TROLLEY!



RAY CARDELL WAITS FOR THE ARRIVAL OF THE POLICE--

WE'LL TAKE YOUR WORD FOR IT-- BUT DON'T OPEN YOUR MOUTH TO THE REPORTERS!

YOU CAN TRUST ME, INSPECTOR!

THE PAPERS WILL TIE THIS UP WITH VOGT'S MURDER. ARE THE COPS TRYING TO COVER UP FOR J.B.?



CITY HOSPITAL
MORTUARY, DRIVER!
--AND STEP ON IT!



DOLORES BLURTED OUT--
"IF THE COPS FIND JAKE IN
THE MORGUE--" BUT THAT'S
WHERE HE'S SUPPOSED
TO BE-- IF HE DIED
OF PNEUMONIA AND
NO ONE CLAIMED
HIS BODY!



WHAT'S YOUR
RUSH, MISTER?
THERE AIN'T NO
PHONE BOOTHS
IN THIS JOINT!



HUH? ER--
LAY OFF
ME, BUD--
I'VE GOT TO
IDENTIFY
A BODY
INSIDE!

ACTS LIKE HE WUZ
TELLIN' THE TRUTH.
J.B. WOULD TIP ME
IF THE COPS SNIFFED
A RAT AFTER TONIGHT'S
RUN IN WITH HERNAN!



I WANT TO
CHECK ON
THE BODIES.
MY BROTHER
IS MISSING
THREE DAYS
AND ---



POLICE
DEPARTMENT
DIDN'T PHONE
ME YOU WERE
COMING--
MISTER, BUT
I GUESS IT'S
ALL RIGHT--

THE ATTENDANT SHOWS RAY
SEVENTEEN BODIES, BUT NOT ONE
RESEMBLES JAKE ZIGSWORT.

DIDN'T YOU
OVERLOOK
THIS CORPSE?
LET ME
SEE IT!



GET AWAY!
POLICE ORDERS
THAT NOBODY
TOUCH THAT BODY!

AS THE ATTENDANT TURNS, THE
MASTER KEY'S X-RAY BEAM
FLASHES THROUGH THE PANEL.

NOW-- COME ON--
MISTER, THERE
GOS MY PHONE!



OKAY, I THINK
I'VE SEEN
ENOUGH!



SOMETHING TELLS ME
J.B. PULLED A FAST
ONE ON JAKE ZIGSWORT
—AND THAT JAKE
DOESN'T KNOW IT!

THE SERVICES FOR
MR. ZIGSWORT
ARE PRIVATE —
BUT SINCE YOU
SAY YOU WERE
AN OLD FRIEND—

YES—
THANK
YOU— I
WANT TO
PAY MY
LAST
RESPECTS
TO POOR
OLD JAKE!

THE MASTER KEY'S
BEAM REVEALS A
"COUGHING" CORPSE

CAUGHT A BAD
COLD AT THE
MORGUE, EH, JAKE?
SOMEBODY JUST
CLOSED THE LID—
OR YOU'D HAVE
SUFFOCATED
BEFORE NOW!

MY BEAM MELTED
THE LATCH. COME
OUT AND FACE THE
MUSIC, JAKE!

THEY'LL PLAY THE
FUNERAL MARCH
FOR YOU, WISE GUY!

DROP THAT CHOPPER,
CHUMP! KARLEY AND
MACK WERE GOING
TO BURY YOU ALIVE!

YEAH? WHEN THE
CORONER SAYS
YOU'RE DEAD, HE
WON'T BE KIDDING!

THE STATE PEN'S
ELECTRIC BILL IS
GOING TO BE HIGH NEXT
MONTH, AFTER YOU AND
KARLEY AND MACK
GET THE HOT SEAT!

TIP FROM MASTER
KEY SENDS THE
INSPECTOR TO KARLEY'S..

THE JIG IS UP, J.B.
JAKE AND DOC
LAPHAM ARE
EATING
BREAKFAST
IN THE CLINK—
AND YOU TWO
ARE JOINING 'EM!

THE
DOOR
WAS
LOCKED.
HOW'D YA
SNEAK IN,
COPPER?

NO LOCK IS TOO TOUGH
FOR THE MASTER KEY
TO TACKLE— EXCEPT
PERHAPS THE ONE THAT
PROTECTS A CERTAIN
GIRL'S HEART!

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